

MINUTES
TOWN OF MOSSBANK
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

7:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 19, 2023

Minutes of the Town of Mossbank Regular Council Meeting held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office located at 311 Main Street, Mossbank, Saskatchewan on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Kristi Green, Councillor Steve Kowalski, Councillor Grant Linn, Councillor Clay Stark, Councillor Kari-Dawn Wolitski, Acting CAO Anna Finlay, Recording Secretary Greg Foreman, Administrative Assistant Shantel Reimer and Public Works Foreman Gerrad Waughtel were in attendance at the call to order. Guests: Bonnie Olafson, Tracy Beavis, and Brad Nagel (Nagel Agencies)

Deputy Mayor Kristi Green called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

228/23 Councillor Wolitski moved to adopt the agenda.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

229/23 Councillor Linn moved to adopt the minutes of the special meeting(s) of Council held on Monday, August 28, 2023, and Wednesday, September 6, 2023, as presented.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

230/23 Councillor Stark moved that the correspondence be filed.

CARRIED

At 7:20 p.m., Brad Nagel addressed Council regarding the issue of who is responsible for the cost borne by the Mossbank Fire Department, when dealing with a residential/commercial fire. He left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

FIRE FIGHTING COSTS

231/23 Councillor Wolitski moved that Council table the issue of whether taxes, paid by the

residents of Mossbank, cover the cost of fire fighting services, be tabled to the October meeting of Council. Acting CAO Anna Finlay will provide clarification at that time.

CARRIED

Public Works Manager Gerrad Waughtel left the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

232/23 Councillor Wolitski moved that Council table this issue, until Spring, 2024.

CARRIED

MANAGER REPORTS

233/23 Councillor Kowalski moved to accept manager's report as presented.

CARRIED

WATER SAMPLES AND REPORTS

234/23 Councillor Linn moved to accept the chlorine & turbidity report and bacteriological water samples for August 2023 as presented.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

235/23 Councillor Kowalski moved that remaining dust control material be applied to town streets, by himself and other volunteers.

CARRIED

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

236/23 Councillor Stark moved that the payment of the August CO-OP statement, with cheque #7981, and the automatic withdrawal of funds to pay Loraas Disposal be approved.

CARRIED

CENTENNIAL DRIVE ALLEYS

237/23 Councillor Wolitski moved that the issue of constructing alleys, regarding the Gregg Nagel and Dennis Stark properties, be tabled indefinitely.

CARRIED

CEMETARY-CEMETARY SECTION

238/23 Councillor Stark moved that the request by Ed Sadlemyer and Elaine Yaganiski to place two urns in one cremation plot be approved.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, CLOSED SESSION

239/23 Councillor Linn moved that Council recess to the Committee of the Whole, closed session, at 7:15 p.m., pursuant to subsection 120(2)(a) of The Municipalities Act, to discuss employee matters.

CARRIED

Acting CAO Anna Finlay and Assistant Shantel Reimer left at 8:24 p.m.

240/23 Councillor Wolitski moved that Council adjourn the closed session and reconvene the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

CARRIED

Anna Finlay and Shantel Reimer returned to the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

ACTING CAO FINLAY SALARY

241/23 Councillor Kowalski moved that Acting CAO Anna Finlay, be placed on a salary of \$42000 per annum, effective October 1,2023. Her performance will be reviewed after 90 days.

CARRIED

ANNA FINLAY EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

242/23 Councillor Green moved to table discussion regarding an employment contract for Acting CAO Anna Finlay, until the December regular council meeting.

CARRIED

LETNES DRIVEWAY QUOTE

243/23 Councillor Kowalski moved to table discussion of the Letnes Driveway repair quote until the October 17,2023 regular council meeting.

CARRIED

BY-ELECTION REMUNERATION

244/23 Councillor Linn moved to table by-election workers remuneration until the October 17,2023 regular council meeting.

CARRIED

BYLAW NO.08/23 – AUDITOR EXTENSION

245/23 Councillor Stark moved that Bylaw No. 08/23, a bylaw to extend the time required for completion and publicization of the 2022 financial statements and waterworks financial overview, receive first reading.

CARRIED

246/23 Councillor Kowalski moved that Bylaw No. 08/23, a bylaw to extend the time required for completion and publicization of the 2022 financial statements and waterworks financial overview, receive second reading.

CARRIED

247/22 Councillor Linn moved that Bylaw No. 08/23, a bylaw to extend the time required for completion and publicization of the 2022 financial statements and waterworks financial overview, receive three readings at this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

248/23 Councillor Wolitski moved that Bylaw No. 08/23, a bylaw to extend the time required for completion and publicization of the 2022 financial statements and waterworks financial overview, receive third reading and be adopted.

CARRIED

UMAAS WORKSHOPS

249/23 Councillor Linn moved that Council approve the payment of \$105 each for the UMAAS workshop in Weyburn, October 23,2023, attended by Anna Finlay ; and the Swift Current UMAAS workshop October 25, attended by Shantel Reimer.

CARRIED

SGI GRANT

250/23 Councillor Green moved that Council approve the application for the Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant, administered by SGI, including a pedestrian crossing on Main Street.

CARRIED

SASKTEL PHONE UPGRADE

251/23 Councillor Linn moved to table discussion regarding office telephone upgrade until the October 17,2023 regular council meeting.

CARRIED

COVENANT PAVING PAYMENT

252/23 Councillor Linn moved to table discussion of this payment indefinitely.

CARRIED

BRYAN HOWE FILL REQUEST

253/23 Councillor Linn moved that the town sell fill dirt to Bryan Howe at a cost of \$12.00 a cubic yard (excluding trucking costs). In addition, Councillor Stark will make arrangements for the dirt pile in question, to be surveyed.

CARRIED

SIDEWALK REPAIR

254/23 Councillor Wolitski will obtain quotes regarding sidewalk repair in front of the Bonnie Olafson and Marnie Oddleifson homes.

CARRIED

SPAY AND NEUTER PROGRAM

255/23 Councillor Linn moved to table this proposal indefinitely.

CARRIED

ASSESSMENT APPEAL INCREASE

256/23 Councillor Wolitski moved to table this item indefinitely.

CARRIED

WATER TANK ADJACENT TO THE ARENA

257/23 Councillor Wolitski moved that the issue of selling the tank be referred to the Recreation Board. If the Recreation Board does not want to deal with this issue, the tank will be put up for sale, by Tender.

CARRIED

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

258/23 Councillor Stark moved that the probationary period for new employees be reduced to 3 months employment.

CARRIED

CELLPHONE REIMBURSEMENT

259/23 Councillor Kowalski moved that a policy be created regarding the reimbursement of personal cellphone use after 3 months of employment.

CARRIED

CHRIS COSTLEY VACATION PAYOUT

260/23 Councillor Green moved that vacation be paid to the amount of \$3991.68; this amount may vary dependent upon SUMA and EI adjustments not yet calculated.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

261/23 Councillor Kowalski moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m.

CARRIED

Kristi Green, Deputy Mayor

Anna Finlay, Acting CAO